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POPULATION

Period	Estimated resident population '000	Natural increase(a) '000	Net migration			Increase during period		Mean population for period '000
			Interstate '000	Overseas '000	Total '000	Number '000	Proportion(b) %	
1992-93	3 109.8	26.1	49.2	3.7	52.9	(c)79.8	2.6	3 070.5
1993-94	3 187.1	26.2	44.9	5.2	50.2	(c)77.3	2.5	3 149.9
1994-95	3 265.1	26.0	40.2	10.6	50.8	(c)78.0	2.5	3 225.1
1995-96	3 338.7	25.3	32.6	13.1	45.7	(c)73.6	2.3	3 303.5
1996-97	3 397.1	25.6	20.2	12.6	32.8	58.4	1.8	3 369.3
1997-98	3 456.3	24.4	18.0	16.9	34.9	59.3	1.7	3 427.3
1993	3 148.1	26.8	48.8	4.2	53.0	(c)80.8	2.6	3 111.1
1994	3 223.0	25.4	41.8	6.7	48.5	(c)74.9	2.3	3 187.7
1995	3 303.4	26.3	38.5	13.7	52.2	(c)80.3	2.4	3 264.4
1996	3 369.2	24.7	27.1	12.7	39.8	(c)65.8	2.0	3 338.7
1997	3 425.7	25.3	18.7	12.5	31.2	56.5	1.7	3 398.4
1998	3 485.2	24.6	16.0	18.9	34.9	59.5	1.7	3 456.4
1997								
September qtr	3 414.0	6.2	5.4	5.4	10.8	16.9	0.5	..
December qtr	3 425.7	5.3	5.2	1.3	6.4	11.7	0.3	..
1998								
March qtr	3 441.8	6.0	3.1	7.1	10.1	16.1	0.5	..
June qtr	3 456.3	7.0	4.4	3.2	7.6	14.5	0.4	..
September qtr	3 471.5	6.2	3.8	5.2	9.0	15.1	0.4	..
December qtr	3 485.2	5.5	4.8	3.4	8.2	13.7	0.4	..

(a) Excess of births over deaths.

(b) The rates represent the increase during the period, expressed as a proportion of the population at the beginning of the period.

(c) Discrepancies between the sum of natural increase and net migration figures and the total increase figures are due to inter-censal adjustment.

Source: Australian Demographic Statistics (Cat. no. 3101.0).

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ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION(a)—AT 30 JUNE

Statistical Division	1993 '000	1994 '000	1995 '000	1996 '000	1997 '000	1998 '000	Average annual growth rate	
							1993-98 %	1997-98 %
Brisbane	1 422.8	1 455.2	1 486.7	1 520.0	1 546.2	1 574.6	2.0	1.8
Moreton	538.9	566.0	596.0	618.2	638.4	657.3	4.1	3.0
Wide Bay-Burnett	207.1	214.0	219.5	224.3	227.6	230.6	2.2	1.3
Darling Downs	197.8	198.8	199.0	199.9	200.1	200.8	0.3	0.3
South-West	28.3	27.6	26.9	26.5	26.1	25.9	-1.7	-0.8
Fitzroy	172.5	174.5	176.2	178.0	179.3	180.5	0.9	0.7
Central West	13.0	12.9	12.6	12.5	12.4	12.3	-1.2	-0.6
Mackay	113.4	115.1	117.3	120.3	122.5	124.3	1.8	1.5
Northern	186.5	188.3	190.3	192.2	193.3	195.0	0.9	0.8
Far North	192.0	197.8	204.5	210.8	215.2	219.3	2.7	1.9
North-West	37.4	36.8	36.1	35.9	35.8	35.8	-0.9	-0.2
Queensland(b)	3 109.8	3 187.1	3 265.1	3 338.7	3 397.1	3 456.3	2.1	1.7

(a) Estimates use 1998 edition of the ASGC and are based on 1996 Census results.

(b) Including off-shore and migratory.

Source: Regional Population Growth, Australia (Cat. no. 3218.0).

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VITAL STATISTICS

Period					Annual rate(b)			
	Births	Deaths	Marriages	Infant deaths(a)	Births(c)	Deaths(c)	Marriages(c)	Infant mortality(d)
	no.	no.	no.	no.	%	%	%	%
1992-93	46 285	20 260	20 428	340	14.9	6.5	6.6	7.3
1993-94	46 623	20 610	20 997	300	14.6	6.5	6.6	6.4
1994-95	46 731	21 364	20 425	309	14.3	6.5	6.3	6.6
1995-96	47 356	21 485	20 876	295	14.2	6.4	6.3	6.2
1996-97	47 009	21 983	20 822	280	13.8	6.5	6.1	6.0
1997-98	47 061	22 493	21 262	302	13.6	6.5	6.2	6.4
1997								
September qtr	12 571	6 335	5 249	71	14.7	7.4	6.1	5.6
December qtr	10 423	5 143	5 863	64	12.2	6.0	6.8	6.1
1998								
March qtr	11 773	5 692	4 814	93	13.7	6.6	5.6	7.9
June qtr	12 294	5 323	5 336	74	14.2	6.2	6.2	6.0
September qtr	12 573	6 384	5 730	73	14.5	7.4	6.6	5.8
December qtr	10 380	4 929	5 377	59	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	5.7
1998								
July	4 323	2 088	1 380	26	..	..	..	6.0
August	4 039	2 106	1 434	22	..	..	..	5.4
September	4 211	2 190	2 916	25	..	..	..	5.9
October	3 977	1 940	2 490	23	..	..	..	5.8
November	3 840	1 671	1 911	16	..	..	..	4.2
December	2 563	1 318	976	20	..	..	..	7.8

(a) Deaths of children aged under one year.

(b) For quarterly periods, an equivalent annual rate for each quarter.

(c) Per 1,000 mean estimated resident population.

(d) Infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

Source: Demography, Queensland (Cat. no. 3311.3).

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OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Particulars			1998				1999	
	1997	1998	September	October	November	December	January	February
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Arrivals								
Permanent and long-term	42 540	41 970	2 900	2 950	2 780	3 720	5 230	4 760
Total permanent	14 780	15 610	1 160	1 310	1 250	1 450	1 710	1 240
Residents long-term	13 580	11 730	830	690	820	1 550	830	730
Visitors long-term	14 180	14 630	910	950	710	720	2 690	2 790
Residents short-term	432 510	461 070	52 530	47 430	35 920	32 650	52 940	31 460
Visitors short-term	1 331 400	1 233 140	100 840	103 140	101 040	122 580	99 240	101 990
All arrivals	1 806 450	1 736 180	156 270	153 520	139 740	158 950	157 410	138 210
Departures								
Permanent and long-term	28 880	29 140	1 810	2 120	2 180	2 830	3 270	2 260
Residents long-term	13 130	14 120	930	1 120	990	1 170	1 920	1 270
Visitors long-term	9 530	8 690	490	500	730	1 080	550	470
Former and other	6 220	6 330	390	500	460	580	800	520
Residents short-term	435 800	461 810	50 760	37 230	39 660	49 910	32 010	30 260
Visitors short-term	1 247 230	1 197 910	96 640	102 750	105 370	97 110	113 400	89 520
All departures	1 711 910	1 688 860	149 210	142 100	147 210	149 850	148 680	122 040

Source: Unpublished data.

Month	Employed			Unemployed		Total labour force		Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 years and over
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Number	Unemployment rate	Number	Participation rate		
	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000
MALES									
1998									
March	782.2	115.2	897.4	91.5	9.3	988.9	74.3	341.3	1 330.2
April	786.1	108.8	894.9	87.5	8.9	982.5	73.7	349.8	1 332.2
May	776.2	118.9	895.1	85.9	8.8	981.0	73.5	353.3	1 334.3
June	784.1	120.4	904.5	85.7	8.7	990.2	74.1	346.1	1 336.3
July	792.3	110.2	902.5	90.4	9.1	992.9	74.2	345.3	1 338.3
August	783.8	112.3	896.0	88.3	9.0	984.3	73.4	356.0	1 340.2
September	794.8	122.0	916.7	92.1	9.1	1 008.8	75.2	333.4	1 342.2
October	807.1	117.6	924.7	83.3	8.3	1 008.1	75.0	336.4	1 344.5
November	809.3	113.2	922.5	79.6	7.9	1 002.1	74.4	344.6	1 346.7
December	811.1	123.6	934.6	82.6	8.1	1 017.2	75.4	331.8	1 349.0
1999									
January	805.6	114.4	920.0	85.1	8.5	1 005.1	74.4	346.3	1 351.4
February	806.1	112.8	918.9	90.4	9.0	1 009.3	74.6	336.6	1 353.7
March	802.8	119.6	922.4	77.5	7.8	999.9	73.7	356.2	1 356.1
April	806.1	119.3	925.4	80.8	8.0	1 006.2	74.1	352.0	1 358.2
May	798.3	122.6	920.8	82.7	8.2	1 003.5	73.8	356.8	1 360.3
FEMALES									
1998									
March	379.1	312.0	691.1	64.8	8.6	755.9	55.8	598.8	1 354.7
April	387.8	311.6	699.4	64.5	8.4	763.9	56.3	592.9	1 356.8
May	384.8	316.0	700.8	59.7	7.9	760.6	56.0	598.3	1 358.8
June	384.9	318.3	703.1	64.8	8.4	768.0	56.4	592.9	1 360.8
July	388.6	310.7	699.3	59.1	7.8	758.4	55.6	604.5	1 362.9
August	377.9	315.8	693.7	57.3	7.6	751.0	55.0	613.9	1 364.9
September	387.9	314.1	702.1	63.1	8.3	765.2	56.0	601.7	1 366.9
October	381.6	322.0	703.6	62.9	8.2	766.4	56.0	602.7	1 369.2
November	393.4	318.2	711.6	59.3	7.7	771.0	56.2	600.5	1 371.5
December	400.1	308.6	708.8	63.4	8.2	772.2	56.2	601.6	1 373.8
1999									
January	396.8	289.3	686.1	67.7	9.0	753.9	54.8	622.3	1 376.2
February	385.6	312.5	698.1	68.2	8.9	766.3	55.6	612.4	1 378.7
March	390.1	313.8	703.9	67.5	8.7	771.4	55.9	609.8	1 381.2
April	395.5	322.1	720.6	61.2	7.8	781.8	56.5	601.5	1 383.3
May	388.3	328.8	717.1	63.4	8.1	780.5	56.3	604.8	1 385.4
PERSONS									
1998									
March	1 161.3	427.2	1 588.5	156.3	9.0	1 744.8	65.0	940.2	2 685.0
April	1 173.9	420.4	1 594.3	152.0	8.7	1 746.3	64.9	942.7	2 689.0
May	1 161.0	434.9	1 595.9	145.6	8.4	1 741.5	64.7	951.5	2 693.1
June	1 168.9	438.7	1 607.6	150.5	8.6	1 758.2	65.2	939.0	2 697.1
July	1 180.9	421.0	1 601.9	149.5	8.5	1 751.3	64.8	949.8	2 701.1
August	1 161.6	428.1	1 589.7	145.6	8.4	1 735.3	64.1	969.9	2 705.1
September	1 182.7	436.1	1 618.8	155.2	8.8	1 774.0	65.5	935.1	2 709.2
October	1 188.7	439.6	1 628.3	146.2	8.2	1 774.6	65.4	939.1	2 713.7
November	1 202.7	431.4	1 634.1	138.9	7.8	1 773.1	65.2	945.2	2 718.2
December	1 211.2	432.2	1 643.4	146.0	8.2	1 789.4	65.7	933.4	2 722.8
1999									
January	1 202.4	403.8	1 606.2	152.8	8.7	1 759.0	64.5	968.6	2 727.6
February	1 191.7	425.4	1 617.1	158.6	8.9	1 775.6	65.0	956.8	2 732.4
March	1 192.9	433.4	1 626.3	145.0	8.2	1 771.3	64.7	966.0	2 737.3
April	1 204.6	441.4	1 646.0	142.0	7.9	1 788.1	65.2	953.4	2 741.5
May	1 186.0	451.4	1 638.0	146.1	8.2	1 784.0	65.0	961.6	2 745.7

(a) See the Explanatory Notes in *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

Source: *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6202.0).

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CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE(a)

	Employed persons			Unemployed persons	Labour force	Unemployment rate	Participation rate
	Full-time	Part-time	Total				
Month	'000	'000	'000				
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES							
1998							
March	1 171.9	422.1	1 594.0	148.3	1 742.3	8.5	64.9
April	1 182.9	415.0	1 597.9	149.6	1 747.5	8.6	65.0
May	1 169.5	432.5	1 602.0	148.2	1 750.3	8.5	65.0
June	1 172.2	429.1	1 601.3	156.0	1 757.3	8.9	65.2
July	1 174.7	421.0	1 595.7	159.2	1 755.0	9.1	65.0
August	1 170.0	434.3	1 604.3	149.4	1 753.7	8.5	64.8
September	1 175.4	427.0	1 602.4	158.1	1 760.6	9.0	65.0
October	1 183.1	433.2	1 616.3	154.5	1 770.9	8.7	65.3
November	1 199.7	426.9	1 626.6	145.4	1 772.0	8.2	65.2
December	1 193.1	432.7	1 625.8	147.5	1 773.2	8.3	65.1
1999							
January	1 203.4	433.1	1 636.5	142.9	1 779.3	8.0	65.2
February	1 190.5	431.9	1 622.4	141.2	1 763.6	8.0	64.5
March	1 204.0	428.3	1 632.3	137.8	1 770.1	7.8	64.7
April	1 213.6	436.1	1 649.7	139.9	1 789.6	7.8	65.3
May	1 195.3	449.1	1 644.4	148.6	1 793.0	8.3	65.3
TREND ESTIMATES							
1998							
March	1 174.6	421.1	1 595.7	151.1	1 746.8	8.6	65.1
April	1 174.6	423.5	1 598.1	150.8	1 749.0	8.6	65.0
May	1 173.5	425.6	1 599.1	151.8	1 750.8	8.7	65.0
June	1 172.5	427.0	1 599.5	153.3	1 752.7	8.7	65.0
July	1 172.7	428.0	1 600.7	154.6	1 755.3	8.8	65.0
August	1 174.9	429.0	1 603.9	155.0	1 758.9	8.8	65.0
September	1 179.2	429.8	1 609.0	154.2	1 763.2	8.7	65.1
October	1 184.5	430.3	1 614.8	152.1	1 766.9	8.6	65.1
November	1 190.2	430.4	1 620.6	149.0	1 769.6	8.4	65.1
December	1 194.9	430.7	1 625.6	145.9	1 771.5	8.2	65.1
1999							
January	1 198.4	431.2	1 629.6	143.4	1 773.0	8.1	65.0
February	1 200.5	432.6	1 633.1	141.8	1 774.9	8.0	65.0
March	1 202.0	434.7	1 636.7	141.3	1 778.0	7.9	65.0
April	1 203.0	437.3	1 640.3	141.4	1 781.7	7.9	65.0
May	1 203.1	440.2	1 643.3	142.3	1 785.6	8.0	65.0

(a) See the Explanatory Notes in *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

Source: *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6202.0).

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DURATION(a) OF UNEMPLOYMENT(b)

Period	Number of persons unemployed for						Total unemployed persons	Median duration
	Less than 4 weeks	4 and under 8 weeks	8 and under 13 weeks	13 and under 26 weeks	26 and under 52 weeks	52 weeks or more		
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	weeks
June								
1993	23.4	15.4	11.5	28.6	32.5	45.2	156.7	24
1994	22.6	14.9	11.2	28.6	25.2	41.0	143.5	22
1995	23.2	17.6	11.4	31.7	26.1	34.8	144.9	21
1996	31.3	18.4	13.4	28.7	26.2	37.0	155.0	18
1997	24.9	12.2	18.0	31.7	26.3	36.5	149.5	21
1998	24.4	17.7	12.8	33.3	23.8	40.1	152.2	22
1998								
February	32.9	26.9	24.7	23.6	20.8	47.6	176.5	13
March	26.2	24.5	19.9	24.2	20.0	42.8	157.5	15
April	25.0	16.6	20.0	30.7	20.4	40.7	153.5	16
May	24.5	13.9	13.0	29.7	22.1	44.2	147.3	20
June	24.4	17.7	12.8	33.3	23.8	40.1	152.2	22
July	26.2	13.7	14.0	22.5	29.3	45.4	151.2	25
August	26.8	15.4	13.4	20.7	30.9	40.3	147.5	23
September	27.1	17.6	16.7	23.3	28.0	44.5	157.1	21
October	25.4	13.3	16.2	17.8	30.3	44.6	147.7	26
November	25.3	14.0	10.0	18.0	34.0	39.0	140.4	26
December	34.1	19.5	11.6	15.9	25.8	40.2	147.2	17
1999								
January	37.6	22.4	13.9	14.8	23.6	42.2	154.5	13
February	34.3	23.7	19.1	17.6	19.7	44.2	158.6	13
March	29.7	17.2	21.3	22.5	16.5	37.9	145.0	14
April	28.2	13.5	17.6	24.4	19.3	39.0	142.0	16

(a) Period from the time the person began looking for work or was stood down, to the end of survey week.

(b) See the Explanatory Notes in *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

Source: *Labour Force, Queensland* (Cat. no. 6201.3).

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS

Month	Government sector					All employed wage and salary earners
	Private sector	Commonwealth	State	Local	Total	
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1995						
August	864.1	44.1	198.5	33.7	276.3	1 140.4
November	909.4	45.1	191.3	33.4	269.8	1 179.3
1996						
February	896.1	45.8	188.9	34.9	269.5	1 165.6
May	897.9	45.3	206.5	34.8	286.6	1 184.5
August	884.3	39.8	208.1	34.7	282.6	1 166.8
November	891.7	39.3	208.1	36.5	283.9	1 175.6
1997						
February	872.7	38.8	203.4	36.5	278.8	1 151.4
May	884.2	37.2	209.2	38.8	285.1	1 169.3
August	900.8	37.3	211.7	37.5	286.4	1 187.2
November	898.0	35.2	213.2	36.4	284.9	1 182.9
1998						
February	898.6	34.3	207.2	35.8	277.3	1 175.9
May	925.9	34.1	211.4	35.7	281.2	1 207.1
August	990.4	33.2	211.3	36.5	281.0	1 271.3
November	991.6	33.9	217.6	35.7	287.3	1 278.9

Source: Wage and Salary Earners, Australia (Cat. no. 6248.0).

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, BY INDUSTRY DIVISION

Month	Manufacturing	Construction	Wholesale trade	Retail trade	Transport and storage	Property and business services	Health and community services	Other(a)	Total
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1997									
August	136.6	63.2	81.6	190.5	52.5	93.7	136.4	432.7	1 187.2
November	138.7	59.6	77.2	179.3	52.0	96.8	134.7	444.4	1 182.9
1998									
February	143.3	66.0	70.9	187.7	48.2	99.7	132.9	427.3	1 175.9
May	138.0	69.9	90.5	190.9	51.8	98.0	131.3	436.5	1 207.1
August	138.3	73.9	106.1	195.5	57.5	117.4	137.1	445.5	1 271.3
November	140.6	74.7	103.5	199.2	58.4	128.1	137.0	437.4	1 278.9

(a) Including employees of government agencies classified to Agriculture, forestry and fishing.

Source: Wage and Salary Earners, Australia (Cat. no. 6248.0).

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JOB VACANCIES AND OVERTIME

Month	Number of job vacancies			Job vacancy rate(a)	Average weekly overtime hours per employee		Proportion of employees in the survey working overtime
	Sector				In the survey	Working overtime	
	Private	Government	Total				
	'000	'000	'000	%	no.	no.	%
1997							
November	* 13.7	1.9	* 15.7	* 1.24	0.96	6.03	15.98
1998							
February	* 12.4	1.6	14.0	1.10	0.83	5.93	13.94
May	* 14.0	1.5	* 15.4	1.21	1.00	6.35	15.81
August	* 14.0	1.7	15.7	1.26	1.02	5.87	17.44
November	9.6	2.1	11.7	0.95	1.05	6.20	16.90
1999							
February	12.6	1.9	14.5	1.16	0.94	6.01	15.66

(a) The number of job vacancies as a proportion of the number of employees plus vacancies.

Source: Job Vacancies and Overtime, Australia (Cat. no. 6354.0).

11

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK

Period	Number of disputes		Employees involved		Working days lost
	Commenced in period	Total(a)	Newly involved(b)	Total(a)	
	no.	no.	'000	'000	
1992-93	123	124	65.4	65.5	80.8
1993-94	110	114	56.2	59.4	147.8
1994-95	164	164	67.4	67.4	190.5
1995-96	147	151	78.9	79.7	168.3
1996-97	121	124	148.4	181.5	170.0
1997-98	64	66	27.7	28.1	49.7
1997					
December	n.p.	5	0.2	1.2	1.3
1998					
January	n.p.	n.p.	1.0	1.0	1.1
February	5	6	0.6	0.6	0.9
March	7	8	1.4	1.4	1.1
April	5	5	1.8	1.8	1.6
May	n.p.	n.p.	9.1	9.1	9.2
June	5	7	0.9	9.5	12.4
July	7	8	0.6	1.6	3.8
August	5	7	6.5	6.6	7.5
September	7	8	0.8	2.0	2.8
October	3	5	0.4	0.6	1.4
November	9	10	1.8	1.8	2.4
December	5	6	4.0	4.7	7.1
1999					
January	3	3	0.1	0.1	0.1
February	n.p.	n.p.	0.3	0.3	0.3

(a) All disputes involving stoppages of 10 working days or more which were in progress during the period.

(b) Comprises employees involved in disputes which commenced during the month and additional employees involved in disputes which continued from the previous month.

Source: Industrial Disputes, Australia (Cat. no. 6321.0).

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	Full-time adults		All males	Full-time adults		All females	Full-time adults		All employees
	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings	Ordinary time earnings	Total earnings	Total earnings
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1995									
August	641.40	689.10	600.00	546.20	557.80	399.10	607.60	642.40	503.50
November	653.40	697.40	602.30	551.50	564.70	399.90	617.10	650.20	505.50
1996									
February	650.30	694.10	595.80	554.30	567.00	410.70	614.20	646.30	506.80
May	662.00	707.10	602.40	553.70	566.30	409.70	621.80	654.80	509.00
August	665.60	713.80	617.50	569.80	582.60	415.00	631.20	666.70	520.80
November	679.00	728.50	631.90	579.80	591.20	418.20	644.20	680.30	530.40
1997									
February	697.20	744.90	653.80	581.80	594.20	437.00	656.30	691.40	553.20
May	697.60	753.30	662.30	591.90	605.60	447.50	659.10	699.60	561.70
August	702.60	755.70	660.00	591.20	606.40	447.80	661.70	700.90	562.80
November	716.70	776.80	685.00	607.60	622.90	464.20	675.60	718.80	580.90
1998									
February	732.20	783.20	689.10	612.90	624.50	463.10	686.30	722.20	580.50
May	738.60	789.90	703.10	616.10	628.70	458.50	693.50	730.50	586.30
August	742.90	800.90	711.30	613.50	627.00	461.50	695.60	737.40	593.30
November	733.70	788.20	688.20	628.00	641.90	469.00	694.30	733.70	583.50
1999									
February	746.30	790.50	700.30	625.50	634.80	460.90	701.40	732.70	584.80

Source: Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia (Cat. no. 6302.0).

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, BRISBANE(a)

Period	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Alcohol and tobacco	Health and personal care	Recreation and education	All groups	All groups % change from previous period	All groups % change from same qtr previous year
1995-96	116.5	105.3	112.0	112.6	120.7	150.9	135.9	118.1	119.1	3.8	..
1996-97	118.9	105.3	107.9	115.0	123.4	159.9	142.1	120.8	121.0	1.6	..
1997-98	121.5	105.3	100.7	115.9	123.3	165.5	149.8	124.5	121.6	0.5	..
1997											
September qtr	118.7	105.3	102.4	115.6	123.7	162.9	143.8	122.8	120.7	-0.3	0.1
December qtr	121.2	105.6	100.2	115.8	124.0	165.5	149.7	123.1	121.4	0.6	0.5
1998											
March qtr	122.6	104.7	100.0	115.8	122.8	166.3	152.7	126.1	121.9	0.4	0.3
June qtr	123.3	105.7	100.3	116.4	122.8	167.2	152.8	125.8	122.3	0.3	1.0
September qtr	123.9	105.2	101.0	116.3	120.9	168.1	156.0	126.1	122.5	0.2	1.5
December qtr	125.0	105.7	101.3	116.4	121.0	168.2	155.2	127.6	123.0	0.4	1.3
1999											
March qtr	126.4	104.6	101.6	116.0	120.5	169.5	144.2	128.8	122.8	-0.2	0.7

(a) Base of each index: year 1989-90 = 100.0.

Source: Consumer Price Index, Australia (Cat. no. 6401.0).

Item	Unit	Quarter ended							
		Year		1997-98			1998-99		
		1997	1998	September	December	March	September	December	March
		cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents
Dairy products									
Milk, carton(b)	1 litre	117	119	117	118	117	119	120	119
Milk, powdered, full cream	750 g pkt	468	484	467	466	492	478	481	502
Cheese, processed, sliced, wrapped	500 g pkt	364	368	338	367	368	381	357	389
Butter	500 g	175	169	173	172	170	162	164	173
Cereal products									
Bread, white, sliced(b)	680 g	194	194	191	195	191	195	199	192
Biscuits, dry	250 g pkt	160	157	161	161	151	157	159	159
Breakfast cereal, corn-based	550 g pkt	343	329	358	357	336	337	299	298
Flour, self-raising	2 kg pkt	267	272	267	264	278	271	271	271
Rice, long grain	1 kg pkt	141	153	139	145	146	153	153	157
Meat and seafoods									
Beef									
Topside roast	1 kg	(c)723	728	717	729	724	743	720	714
Rump steak	1 kg	1 078	1 059	1 088	1 086	1 079	1 070	1 041	1 066
T-bone steak, with fillet	1 kg	981	979	978	983	1 017	968	940	958
Chuck steak	1 kg	601	594	617	617	596	588	590	579
Silverside, corned	1 kg	574	530	587	564	521	508	543	529
Lamb									
Leg	1 kg	589	565	616	573	566	601	546	589
Loin chops	1 kg	820	826	843	824	809	843	840	871
Forequarter chops	1 kg	493	499	498	506	505	507	481	532
Pork									
Leg	1 kg	617	541	630	645	605	504	536	496
Loin chops	1 kg	843	837	829	872	871	822	815	802
Chicken, frozen	1 kg	346	313	354	359	328	294	338	322
Bacon, middle rashers	250 g pkt	307	309	316	290	268	314	320	338
Beef, corned	340 g can	297	296	308	298	305	294	282	291
Sausages	1 kg	339	335	350	333	345	327	332	344
Salmon, pink	210 g can	225	255	222	233	244	266	246	260
Fresh fruit and vegetables									
Oranges	1 kg	141	154	136	166	161	158	149	236
Bananas	1 kg	222	153	251	177	132	150	189	204
Potatoes	1 kg	110	118	117	114	107	114	134	124
Tomatoes	1 kg	208	302	176	188	256	276	359	285
Carrots	1 kg	117	164	100	106	149	158	171	159
Onions	1 kg	108	118	110	105	105	154	107	96
Processed fruit and vegetables									
Peaches	825 g can	196	196	194	197	191	207	191	192
Pineapple, sliced	450 g can	104	109	104	104	103	109	110	113
Peas, frozen	500 g pkt	129	128	118	128	132	123	119	125
Confectionery									
Chocolate, milk, block	250 g	282	288	292	285	295	293	272	312

For footnotes see end of table.

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Item	Unit	Quarter ended							
		Year		1997-98			1998-99		
		1997	1998	September	December	March	September	December	March
		cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents
Other food									
Eggs	52 g (min.) 1 doz.	278	266	262	278	232	275	259	285
Sugar, white	2 kg pkt	189	212	196	189	204	214	218	219
Jam, strawberry	500 g jar	244	246	238	260	262	230	242	254
Tea	250 g pkt	196	250	189	211	238	259	251	250
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	607	627	629	656	656	617	600	584
Tomato sauce	600 ml bottle	188	190	189	184	191	192	179	183
Margarine, polyunsaturated	500 g tub	154	172	145	159	156	186	177	180
Baked beans (in tomato sauce)	425 g can	(d)101	(e)(f)99	100	(e)(f)103	(e)(f)97	(e)(f)95	(e)(f)100	(e)(f)96
Baby food	120 g can	(e)(g)60	62	60	64	62	60	64	63
Household supplies									
Laundry detergent	1 kg	529	494	511	487	496	486	491	507
Dishwashing detergent	500 ml	(e)(c)350	342	347	352	357	338	345	334
Facial tissues	pkt of 224	192	198	192	197	203	197	195	188
Toilet paper	4 x 280 sheets	(d)350	(e)(h)351	351	(e)(h)362	(e)(h)356	(e)(h)354	(e)(h)359	(e)(h)340
Pet food	410 g can	100	(e)(i)102	98	106	103	(e)(j)95	(e)(j)106	(e)(j)106
Private motoring									
Petrol, leaded	1 litre	67.3	62.9	65.8	68.1	63.9	61.4	61.8	60.2
Petrol, unleaded	1 litre	65.1	60.6	63.6	65.9	61.7	59.2	59.5	57.9
Alcoholic beverages									
Beer, low alcohol, unchilled	24 x 375 ml bottles	2 333	2 332	2 303	2 336	2 345	2 282	2 341	2 321
Beer, full strength(k), unchilled	24 x 375 ml bottles	2 612	2 628	2 638	2 638	2 614	2 634	2 646	2 672
Draught beer, full strength(k), public bar	285 ml glass	180	184	180	182	183	184	185	186
Draught beer, low alcohol, public bar	285 ml glass	169	172	170	170	170	174	173	174
Scotch, nip, public bar	30 ml	254	263	255	256	259	264	270	269
Personal care products									
Toilet soap	4 x 125 g	(c)293	303	283	302	307	301	296	308
Toothpaste	140 g tube	253	259	253	257	275	240	260	265

(a) Average prices of specific brands, etc. charged by a number of representative retailers. They do not purport to be the actual averages of all sales of these items. Refer to the Explanatory Notes in *Average Retail Prices of Selected Items, Eight Capital Cities* (Cat. no. 6403.0) for more details.

(b) Supermarket sales.

(c) Average based on prices for September and December quarters.

(d) Average based on prices for March, June and September quarters.

(e) Price not comparable with other periods due to change in size and/or specification.

(f) 420 g can.

(g) Average based on prices for March and June quarters.

(h) 4 x 270 sheet roll.

(i) Average based on prices for June, September and December quarters.

(j) 400g can.

(k) The alcoholic content of full strength beer is greater than 3.9%.

Source: *Average Retail Prices of Selected Items, Eight Capital Cities* (Cat. no. 6403.0).

Group	1997-98					1998-99		
	1996-97	1997-98	Sep qtr	Dec qtr	Mar qtr	Sep qtr	Dec qtr	Mar qtr
HOUSE BUILDING								
All groups	115.3	117.1	116.8	116.7	117.0	118.4	118.6	118.4
BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING								
Selected major building materials								
Structural timber	109.8	113.0	111.9	110.5	114.8	114.9	122.7	124.9
Clay bricks	104.3	106.1	107.1	105.8	105.8	106.2	106.8	105.6
Ready-mixed concrete	104.2	106.6	108.8	105.4	105.8	106.3	104.5	104.3
Precast concrete products	112.5	112.2	113.2	113.2	110.7	112.8	115.2	115.2
Steel decking and cladding	111.3	113.7	113.7	113.7	113.7	114.0	114.0	114.0
Structural steel	136.7	136.6	137.8	136.5	136.0	139.1	139.3	141.2
Reinforcing steel bar, fabric and mesh	114.8	116.0	116.8	115.9	115.5	113.6	113.6	110.9
Aluminium windows	103.7	103.8	103.8	103.8	103.8	105.6	106.5	106.5
Fabricated steel products	120.1	122.9	122.8	122.8	123.5	123.5	123.4	124.6
Builders' hardware	104.1	103.6	104.4	101.7	101.7	106.8	106.8	108.4
Sand and aggregate	156.6	154.4	157.4	157.3	157.3	145.6	145.6	145.7
Carpet	94.8	94.8	94.2	94.8	94.8	95.7	95.7	95.7
Paint and other coatings	128.3	130.3	129.9	129.8	129.8	130.5	134.3	136.6
Nonferrous pipes and fittings	154.4	161.6	161.7	161.6	161.6	156.1	161.4	158.6
Special combinations of building materials								
All electrical materials	109.7	111.7	111.2	111.0	111.6	114.0	114.5	116.1
All mechanical services	113.9	114.1	114.2	114.0	113.8	114.5	117.0	116.9
All plumbing materials	123.1	125.7	126.6	125.6	125.6	124.0	127.5	126.8
All groups, excluding electrical materials and mechanical services	117.6	119.2	119.6	118.9	118.9	119.6	120.1	120.0
All groups	115.9	117.2	117.5	117.0	117.0	117.8	118.7	118.6

(a) Base of each index: year 1989-90 = 100.0.

Source: Price Index of Materials Used in House Building (Cat. no. 6408.0). Price Index of Materials Used in Building Other Than House Building (Cat. no. 6407.0).

<i>Manufacturing price indexes</i>										
Period	<i>Materials used(a)</i>				<i>Export price index(a)</i>			<i>Import price index(a)</i>		
	Imported	Domestic	All materials	Articles produced (b)	Mineral products	Wool & cotton fibres	Base metals & articles of base metals	All groups	Machinery and transport equip.	All groups
1992-93	107.8	105.7	106.4	114.3	108.2	60.9	81.0	93.5	116.8	112.1
1993-94	108.8	102.5	104.7	115.5	100.9	59.0	76.3	91.8	123.1	115.6
1994-95	112.7	104.9	107.6	118.1	95.0	80.8	96.8	94.7	121.1	114.8
1995-96	117.6	106.0	110.1	121.1	100.9	72.7	97.0	96.1	117.4	115.0
1996-97	109.4	104.2	106.0	121.8	103.0	67.6	86.1	92.4	108.5	108.6
1997-98	112.2	104.1	107.0	123.4	113.7	75.8	94.1	98.9	115.5	115.4
1995										
September qtr	119.9	106.6	111.3	120.9	100.7	84.4	104.7	98.5	123.0	118.6
December qtr	118.6	105.3	110.0	120.9	100.2	72.8	98.7	96.0	118.7	116.1
1996										
March qtr	118.1	106.7	110.7	121.5	102.1	68.6	94.5	96.5	116.4	114.8
June qtr	113.9	105.2	108.2	121.1	100.4	65.0	89.9	93.4	111.4	110.5
September qtr	110.8	103.5	106.1	121.0	100.9	67.2	84.5	93.0	110.1	109.4
December qtr	109.6	104.2	106.1	121.5	101.7	65.5	80.7	91.1	108.5	108.5
1997										
March qtr	108.9	105.1	106.3	122.2	104.3	66.7	88.2	92.0	107.9	108.4
June qtr	108.1	104.0	105.4	122.3	105.1	70.9	90.8	93.4	107.6	107.9
September qtr	109.9	104.6	106.5	122.9	107.9	77.8	96.0	95.9	110.8	110.8
December qtr	111.9	106.3	108.2	123.7	113.7	77.2	96.8	99.2	114.9	115.4
1998										
March qtr	112.5	102.6	106.2	123.3	114.5	75.9	92.7	99.4	117.6	116.7
June qtr	114.6	102.7	107.1	123.7	118.5	72.3	91.0	100.9	118.8	118.5
September qtr	116.6	102.2	107.5	124.0	122.4	67.6	93.3	102.0	123.7	122.9
December qtr	113.6	101.3	105.8	123.2	117.8	59.2	86.1	96.9	123.9	121.7
1999										
March qtr	111.6	99.9	104.2	122.5	110.8	58.8	80.6	93.1	122.4	119.1

(a) Base: year 1989-90 = 100.0.

(b) Base: year 1988-89 = 100.0.

Source: Price Indexes of Materials Used in Manufacturing Industries, Australia (Cat. no. 6411.0). Price Indexes of Articles Produced by Manufacturing Industries, Australia (Cat. no. 6412.0). Export Price Index, Australia (Cat. no. 6405.0). Import Price Index, Australia (Cat. no. 6414.0).

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED(a) AND PRODUCTION OF SELECTED COMMODITIES(b)

Period	Livestock slaughtered					Meat produced(c)				
	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pig-meats(d)
	'000 head	'000 head	'000 head	'000 head	'000 head	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
1992-93	2 851.5	153.8	1 389.2	648.0	1 155.3	753 477	7 179	26 656	10 570	79 749
1993-94	2 781.8	148.7	856.6	669.6	1 207.9	742 701	6 352	21 282	12 447	84 553
1994-95	2 557.8	117.1	770.9	608.7	1 154.4	697 750	4 918	15 308	10 621	83 143
1995-96	2 406.9	91.2	727.5	695.3	1 080.0	655 664	3 854	14 161	12 584	77 696
1996-97	2 517.9	120.9	977.3	785.1	1 002.3	687 802	5 579	19 646	14 348	73 809
1997-98	3 014.6	114.8	1 277.1	765.7	1 082.8	799 778	5 520	24 553	13 948	81 171
1998										
February	240.8	9.6	117.5	58.8	93.3	64 877	470	2 227	1 073	6 837
March	266.8	10.5	117.3	65.2	91.5	70 467	542	2 258	1 169	6 758
April	263.7	10.3	109.9	68.3	88.7	68 184	533	2 052	1 210	6 681
May	281.8	9.0	87.0	60.2	95.0	73 209	481	1 530	1 070	7 374
June	278.5	8.4	92.4	56.3	90.3	73 494	435	1 688	1 006	6 940
July	304.8	9.8	117.0	68.6	103.4	82 208	517	2 180	1 290	8 000
August	288.5	8.3	109.7	66.0	95.4	76 824	432	2 208	1 237	7 341
September	283.5	8.3	90.4	63.2	96.9	75 856	407	1 828	1 185	7 348
October	292.3	8.5	137.6	70.9	94.9	80 152	428	2 723	1 340	7 101
November	274.2	7.3	99.5	55.2	88.8	75 342	391	2 037	1 101	6 399
December	204.8	6.3	72.5	51.7	90.3	56 599	336	1 499	979	6 401
1999										
January	173.2	7.1	107.6	61.6	83.1	48 177	380	2 172	1 134	6 130
February	270.1	7.9	120.6	57.0	84.3	75 707	431	2 333	1 057	6 179
March	317.9	7.5	121.8	62.3	89.4	89 609	380	2 296	1 133	6 557
April	288.2	7.9	103.8	58.9	91.3	79 018	433	1 967	1 054	6 849

(a) Including livestock slaughtered on farms.

(b) Excluding producers with fewer than four persons employed and minor production from essentially non-manufacturing activities.

(c) Dressed carcass weight. Excluding offal.

(d) Including quantities used to produce bacon and ham.

Source: *Livestock Products, Australia* (Cat. no. 7215.0).

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ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION

Period	Value of work commenced	Value of work done	Value of work yet to be done
	\$m	\$m	\$m
1996-97	3 605.0	3 593.4	1 074.9
1997-98	4 696.3	3 837.3	2 023.8
1997			
June qtr	673.4	986.9	1 074.9
September qtr	933.0	890.0	1 080.9
December qtr	1 230.2	953.0	1 454.9
1998			
June qtr	1 281.0	1 072.9	2 023.8
September qtr	1 002.7	985.2	1 976.6
December qtr	1 064.9	1 134.7	1 932.2

Source: *Engineering Construction Activity, Australia* (Cat. no. 8762.0).

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BUILDING ACTIVITY(a)

Period	Dwelling units in new residential buildings			Value of building work completed				
	Commenced	Completed	Under construction at end of period	New houses	New other residential buildings	Non-residential building	Total(b)	Value of work done in period
	no.	no.	no.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1992-93	46 985	45 541	14 760	2 907.3	771.9	1 700.4	5 608.2	5 467.0
1993-94	53 085	49 615	17 993	3 015.8	1 007.3	1 391.7	5 644.9	5 993.1
1994-95	46 160	48 456	15 389	3 172.3	1 100.1	1 834.1	6 351.8	6 819.9
1995-96	31 125	35 103	11 125	2 372.2	994.9	2 656.7	6 290.7	5 791.8
1996-97	31 874	30 405	12 371	2 320.2	695.2	2 389.1	5 681.7	5 964.9
1997-98	34 976	33 364	13 825	2 568.5	920.3	2 409.5	6 203.0	6 560.7
1997								
September qtr	8 618	8 713	12 211	640.5	241.8	531.6	1 487.2	1 618.9
December qtr	9 282	8 910	12 599	718.3	232.7	899.3	1 932.7	1 702.4
1998								
March qtr	8 032	7 596	13 017	582.3	256.2	465.1	1 384.0	1 517.6
June qtr	9 044	8 145	13 825	627.4	189.6	513.5	1 399.1	1 721.8
September qtr	7 995	9 266	12 433	716.4	342.9	726.9	1 866.8	1 681.1
December qtr	7 497	8 854	11 057	654.4	300.9	570.0	1 609.8	1 650.2

(a) The scope of building activity includes all new residential buildings, irrespective of value, and alterations and additions to residential buildings with an approval value of \$10,000 and over; and non-residential building (including alterations and additions to existing buildings) with an approval value of \$50,000 and over.

(b) Including alterations and additions (valued at \$10,000 and over) to residential buildings, which are not shown in the foregoing columns.

Source: Building Activity, Queensland (Cat. no. 8752.3).

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BUILDING ACTIVITY, NEW DWELLING UNITS(a)—BY TYPE AND STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION

Period	Commenced			Completed			Under construction at end of period		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1992-93	33 516	13 469	46 985	33 600	11 941	45 541	8 559	6 201	14 760
1993-94	35 751	17 334	53 085	34 793	14 822	49 615	9 504	8 489	17 993
1994-95	31 047	15 113	46 160	33 527	14 929	48 456	6 971	8 418	15 389
1995-96	23 082	8 043	31 125	23 852	11 251	35 103	6 049	5 076	11 125
1996-97	22 870	9 004	31 874	22 551	7 854	30 405	6 284	6 087	12 371
1997-98	23 735	11 211	34 947	23 373	9 991	33 365	6 625	7 200	13 825
1997									
September qtr	6 132	2 486	8 618	5 908	2 805	8 713	6 486	5 725	12 211
December qtr	6 224	3 058	9 282	6 610	2 300	8 910	6 116	6 483	12 599
1998									
March qtr	5 457	2 575	8 032	5 058	2 538	7 596	6 497	6 520	13 017
June qtr	5 941	3 103	9 044	5 797	2 348	8 145	6 625	7 200	13 825
September qtr	5 368	2 619	7 987	6 225	3 041	9 266	5 767	6 666	12 433
December qtr	5 088	2 445	7 533	5 557	3 297	8 854	5 286	5 771	11 057

(a) Including new houses and dwelling units in other residential buildings (e.g. flats, home units, etc.) but excluding units offering temporary accommodation (e.g. motels, hostels, etc.) and caretakers' quarters in non-residential buildings.

Source: Building Activity, Queensland (Cat. no. 8752.3).

Period	Dwelling units in new residential buildings						Non-residential buildings			
	Private sector		Public sector		Total		Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Private sector		Total value of building
	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m		\$m	\$m	
1992-93	45 992	3 700.2	1 940	129.5	47 932	3 829.6	212.9	941.8	1 383.9	5 426.2
1993-94	53 427	4 464.2	1 765	126.7	55 192	4 590.8	229.2	1 348.6	1 761.6	6 582.0
1994-95	43 596	3 856.7	1 602	144.0	45 198	4 000.9	240.2	1 571.0	2 063.4	6 305.1
1995-96	29 579	2 819.5	872	72.0	30 451	2 891.4	242.9	1 807.9	2 326.0	5 467.4
1996-97	31 853	3 083.4	1 233	108.3	33 086	3 191.6	270.0	1 568.0	2 244.1	5 705.8
1997-98	35 415	3 510.5	1 064	97.8	36 479	3 608.2	289.6	1 821.9	3 372.7	7 270.4
1998										
February	2 718	276.4	45	4.4	2 763	280.8	22.4	153.2	320.7	624.0
March	2 959	296.4	105	9.4	3 064	305.8	24.0	95.6	270.5	600.3
April	3 126	328.6	154	12.9	3 280	341.5	25.1	133.0	305.4	671.9
May	2 814	281.8	252	21.2	3 066	302.9	25.4	213.4	326.8	655.0
June	2 639	253.8	167	15.7	2 806	269.5	29.9	234.7	316.9	616.3
July	2 460	258.4	29	3.8	2 489	262.2	26.0	125.4	149.5	437.8
August	2 547	250.2	32	2.8	2 579	253.0	22.7	104.0	296.9	572.4
September	2 887	284.1	98	9.9	2 985	293.9	28.8	116.5	157.8	480.5
October	2 542	260.4	64	5.5	2 606	265.9	26.3	113.4	154.5	446.8
November	2 413	242.3	64	5.6	2 477	248.0	23.2	181.7	202.7	474.0
December	2 231	212.5	20	1.9	2 251	214.4	18.4	84.0	136.0	368.7
1999										
January	1 843	171.7	45	5.0	1 888	176.7	16.4	144.0	202.8	395.9
February	2 019	202.9	51	5.5	2 070	208.5	18.6	103.7	130.1	357.2
March	2 166	236.0	127	11.6	2 293	247.6	20.7	124.9	191.0	459.4
April	2 151	233.6	154	13.9	2 305	247.5	14.6	191.1	262.2	524.3

(a) The scope of building approvals includes all approved new residential building jobs valued at \$10,000 or more; all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more; and approved alterations and additions valued at \$10,000 or more to residential buildings.

Source: *Building Approvals, Queensland* (Cat. no. 8731.3).

Period	<i>Dwelling units involved</i>				<i>Secured housing finance commitments to individuals</i>				
					<i>All banks</i>				
	<i>For purchase</i>				<i>For purchase of dwellings</i>				
	For construction	Newly erected	Previously established	Refinance (a)	For construction of dwellings	Newly erected	Previously established	Refinance (a)	Total(b)
	no.	no.	no.	no.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1992-93	24 832	3 338	55 502	12 904	1 444	203	3 499	725	6 167
1993-94	25 967	4 948	58 980	18 725	1 837	359	4 142	1 154	7 950
1994-95	20 166	4 429	48 707	13 950	1 497	376	3 723	892	7 089
1995-96	15 141	3 854	44 599	18 417	1 146	354	3 408	1 110	6 701
1996-97	15 097	4 038	44 378	20 449	1 262	376	3 718	1 389	7 212
1997-98	15 157	4 116	43 680	16 313	1 443	398	3 932	1 135	7 246
1998									
January	936	292	3 096	1 042	91	30	279	77	497
February	1 216	301	3 693	1 152	118	29	328	81	585
March	1 283	351	3 683	1 251	125	37	327	85	605
April	1 213	316	3 792	1 109	120	33	335	72	582
May	1 188	323	3 722	1 164	108	31	319	76	559
June	1 284	357	3 630	1 313	130	36	350	105	648
July	1 135	350	3 674	1 124	122	34	357	84	620
August	1 120	345	3 220	1 100	120	43	343	88	618
September	1 140	334	3 413	1 131	119	35	339	89	604
October	1 099	319	3 546	1 139	113	36	343	89	602
November	1 089	320	3 818	1 109	115	36	388	93	656
December	1 005	280	3 791	1 132	106	33	375	91	628
1999									
January	775	233	3 286	946	76	26	322	74	516
February	1 071	297	4 119	1 157	110	37	424	94	687
March	1 389	347	4 827	1 456	147	40	472	120	808

(a) For existing home loans.

(b) Including alterations and additions.

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Secured housing finance commitments to individuals—continued

Permanent building societies

For purchase of dwellings

Period	For construction of dwellings \$m	Newly erected \$m	Previously established \$m	Refinance(a) \$m	Total(b) \$m	Finance companies, government and other \$m	Total(b) \$m
1992-93	216	67	736	148	1 221	367	7 755
1993-94	291	85	902	193	1 537	241	9 728
1994-95	243	57	684	163	1 199	232	8 520
1995-96	226	30	661	158	1 116	662	8 479
1996-97	198	12	390	77	701	777	8 690
1997-98	167	8	327	82	601	929	8 776
1998							
January	12	1	23	5	42	59	598
February	12	—	24	7	44	77	707
March	16	—	29	7	54	85	744
April	12	1	27	7	49	82	713
May	12	—	28	9	51	82	691
June	13	1	27	8	51	78	777
July	13	1	27	7	49	70	738
August	13	—	24	6	44	64	727
September	11	1	24	7	43	66	714
October	12	1	27	5	46	74	722
November	10	2	32	5	50	64	770
December	13	1	30	6	50	71	749
1999							
January	10	1	26	5	42	66	624
February	14	—	36	6	58	71	816
March	13	1	42	8	66	86	960

(a) For existing home loans.

(b) Including alterations and additions.

Source: Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia (Cat. no. 5609.0).

Month	Building societies		Finance companies		Credit cooperatives(b)	
	Individuals	Total	Individuals	Total	Individuals	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1998						
January	2 306.3	2 973.7	1 795.9	4 928.3	1 811.1	1 840.7
February	2 331.1	3 010.9	1 809.7	4 901.2	1 843.1	1 873.3
March	2 359.8	3 051.9	1 869.1	4 966.0	1 881.1	1 911.6
April	2 399.9	3 098.2	1 874.9	4 957.4	1 914.8	1 946.8
May	2 429.5	3 133.0	1 889.0	5 153.1	1 944.9	1 977.0
June	2 469.9	3 187.6	1 911.0	5 141.5	1 983.3	2 016.2
July	2 504.5	3 229.3	1 932.9	5 038.4	2 011.4	2 045.1
August	2 545.1	3 272.3	1 969.8	5 086.5	2 038.6	2 080.4
September	2 579.5	3 317.7	2 021.4	5 116.7	2 069.5	2 113.2
October	2 623.9	3 380.2	2 059.8	5 115.7	2 097.7	2 141.7
November	2 661.1	3 437.6	2 102.9	5 170.1	2 134.6	2 179.7
December	2 626.0	3 457.1	2 098.4	5 133.9	2 156.4	2 202.0
1999						
January	2 656.6	3 503.9	2 170.7	5 099.5	2 186.9	2 233.4
February	2 658.1	3 520.3	2 210.0	5 159.7	2 211.4	2 257.9
March	2 673.4	3 543.8	2 250.0	5 243.8	2 248.1	2 294.5

(a) At end of period.

(b) Credit cooperatives with assets in Australia exceeding \$5m.

Source: Unpublished data.

Month	Lease finance		Commercial finance		Personal finance	
	Total finance lease commitments	Commitments not drawn at end of period	Total	Used	Total	Used
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1998						
January	145.6	41.3	16 859.5	10 066.2	10 624.4	4 793.3
February	162.1	39.6	17 088.1	10 207.3	10 799.5	4 947.0
March	184.0	41.7	16 972.6	10 338.8	11 030.1	5 071.5
April	176.3	41.8	17 185.6	10 373.6	11 235.9	5 207.8
May	172.1	43.8	17 562.0	10 557.5	11 450.8	5 336.0
June	283.2	43.9	17 732.3	10 904.7	11 739.6	5 612.0
July	216.7	35.0	17 989.4	11 037.4	11 495.0	5 506.6
August	155.2	30.9	17 186.6	10 773.4	11 728.6	5 641.2
September	170.8	31.8	17 343.4	10 927.0	11 964.3	5 682.8
October	153.9	29.3	17 539.6	11 131.7	12 215.1	5 890.4
November	155.8	27.3	17 611.6	11 232.3	12 474.7	6 202.9
December	185.9	30.8	17 697.6	11 272.8	12 760.7	6 250.0
1999						
January	120.9	25.3	16 003.0	9 851.4	13 002.9	6 279.4
February	157.3	26.8	16 195.1	9 979.2	13 251.3	6 399.9
March	197.1	33.8	16 602.4	10 721.6	13 548.5	6 532.3

Source: Unpublished data.

Month	First home buyers				Other			
	Number of dwellings financed	Number as per cent of total	Value of commitments	Average borrowing size	Number of dwellings financed	Number as per cent of total	Value of commitments	Average borrowing size
	no.	%	\$m	\$'000	no.	%	\$m	\$'000
1998								
February	1 492	23.5	154.9	103.8	4 870	76.5	519.2	106.6
March	1 514	23.1	157.7	104.1	5 054	76.9	550.8	109.0
April	1 421	22.1	148.6	104.6	5 009	77.9	538.9	107.6
May	1 390	21.7	143.9	103.6	5 007	78.3	520.3	103.9
June	1 393	21.2	150.9	108.3	5 191	78.8	595.5	114.7
July	1 516	24.1	165.2	109.0	4 767	75.9	547.6	114.9
August	1 349	23.3	161.8	120.0	4 436	76.7	537.9	121.3
September	1 407	23.4	159.5	113.4	4 611	76.6	529.5	114.8
October	1 477	24.2	163.3	110.5	4 626	75.8	534.8	115.6
November	1 586	25.0	178.2	112.3	4 750	75.0	565.4	119.0
December	1 587	25.6	176.7	111.4	4 621	74.4	546.0	118.2
1999								
January	1 299	24.8	143.8	110.7	3 941	75.2	459.6	116.6
February	1 731	26.1	194.3	112.3	4 913	73.9	596.5	121.4
March	2 000	25.0	218.1	109.0	5 998	75.0	704.5	117.5
April	1 641	25.1	186.2	113.5	4 884	74.9	573.5	117.4

(a) Excluding alterations and additions, including refinancing.

Source: Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia (Cat. no. 5609.0).

Month	Deposits					Other lending(b)
	Current	Term(a)	Investment savings	Other	Total	
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
1997						
December	14 756	23 308	4 993	4 807	47 863	63 230
1998						
January	14 574	23 317	4 992	4 809	47 691	62 837
February	14 366	23 199	4 971	4 827	47 362	63 954
March	14 163	21 858	4 952	4 783	45 756	64 221
April	14 612	21 911	4 762	4 795	46 080	64 039
May	14 659	22 518	4 955	4 824	46 956	64 540
June	14 834	22 346	4 930	4 810	46 919	64 815
July	15 191	22 102	4 762	4 906	46 960	66 015
August	15 714	22 978	4 986	5 064	48 742	66 278
September	15 868	22 821	4 973	5 071	48 733	67 446
October	16 848	22 936	4 939	5 109	49 832	67 447
November	17 586	23 037	4 532	5 565	50 720	68 010
December	18 171	24 921	4 438	5 688	53 219	68 693
1999						
January	17 466	24 419	4 419	5 675	51 978	68 692
February	17 047	23 119	4 404	5 715	50 285	68 883

(a) Including certificates of deposit.

(b) Excluding public sector securities held by banks and commercial lending through intermediaries.

Source: Unpublished data.

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STATE FINAL DEMAND, CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES: ORIGINAL(a)

Period	Final consumption expenditure		Gross fixed capital formation		State final demand
	Household	General government	Private	Public	
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1995-96	52 667	14 950	15 988	5 157	88 719
1996-97	54 083	14 952	18 231	5 630	92 897
1997-98	57 173	15 795	18 698	5 550	97 214
1997					
December qtr	14 973	4 122	4 989	1 406	25 489
1998					
March qtr	13 762	3 619	4 023	1 092	22 496
June qtr	14 482	4 105	4 765	1 998	25 349
September qtr	14 819	4 024	4 769	1 202	24 813
December qtr	15 934	4 324	4 995	1 522	26 776
1999					
March qtr	14 790	3 874	4 583	1 429	24 676

(a) Reference year 1996-97.

Source: Unpublished data.

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NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, BY INDUSTRY GROUP AND TYPE OF ASSET

Period	Industry group				Type of asset		
	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	New capital equipment	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1995-96	961	1 433	3 459	5 853	1 563	4 290	5 853
1996-97	1 865	1 734	4 002	7 602	2 739	4 863	7 602
1997-98	1 968	1 764	3 665	7 397	2 490	4 907	7 397
1997							
December qtr	532	511	986	2 029	732	1 297	2 029
1998							
March qtr	337	285	749	1 371	441	931	1 371
June qtr	622	394	1 012	2 029	654	1 374	2 029
September qtr	484	342	924	1 750	573	1 177	1 750
December qtr	457	351	1 114	1 922	583	1 339	1 922
1999							
March qtr	376	323	1 231	1 929	473	1 457	1 929

Source: State Estimates of Private New Capital Expenditure (Cat. no. 5646.0).

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VALUE OF INTERSTATE EXPORTS(a)

Period	Selected commodities(b)						
	Total	Meat(c)	Crude materials, inedible(d)	Chemicals & related materials	Manuf. goods class. chiefly by material	Machinery & transport equipment	Miscellaneous manufactured items
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1992-93	4 235 353	180 508	743 687	178 785	857 203	656 852	252 174
1993-94	4 627 314	213 859	757 955	190 465	925 859	868 571	294 577
1994-95	5 326 975	203 049	705 341	196 411	1 130 058	1 086 216	329 097
1995-96	6 219 976	174 819	760 638	265 811	1 318 475	974 455	397 904
1996-97	6 022 732	149 247	717 739	318 837	1 142 478	920 284	437 023
1997-98	6 368 399	236 531	653 479	424 401	1 050 763	1 121 902	397 724
1997							
September qtr	1 742 514	53 618	181 252	98 580	280 239	297 105	112 299
December qtr	1 672 975	59 528	164 126	94 964	267 595	291 783	121 439
1998							
March qtr	1 436 112	56 336	158 752	117 888	245 463	266 081	83 825
June qtr	1 516 796	67 047	149 348	112 967	257 465	266 932	80 159
September qtr	1 551 478	71 069	155 049	98 826	275 014	244 591	80 740
December qtr	1 587 144	73 568	151 051	111 594	251 630	253 504	110 959

(a) Interstate exports are compiled using a classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3).

(b) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown.

(c) All meat and meat products, fresh, frozen, preserved or canned.

(d) Including gold ores and concentrates.

Source: Office of Economic and Statistical Research.

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VALUE OF INTERSTATE IMPORTS(a)

Period	Selected commodities(b)						
	Total	Food & live animals	Mineral fuels and lubricants	Chemicals	Iron & steel	Machinery & transport equipment	Miscellaneous manufactured items
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1992-93	9 768 709	1 438 186	598 897	1 257 271	645 807	2 844 247	1 273 387
1993-94	11 426 272	1 781 351	728 036	1 387 728	752 374	3 368 671	1 559 800
1994-95	12 496 497	1 948 425	754 779	1 472 191	796 620	3 794 489	1 737 118
1995-96	13 381 379	1 823 107	1 543 589	1 601 163	830 520	3 869 286	1 680 581
1996-97	13 486 288	1 809 836	1 438 294	1 710 559	782 342	3 913 782	1 815 744
1997-98	14 303 616	2 017 014	1 422 408	1 838 664	766 908	4 211 380	1 919 678
1997							
September qtr	3 630 364	505 672	379 312	462 433	206 060	1 016 964	508 369
December qtr	3 830 797	531 574	362 474	475 539	190 572	1 094 076	579 637
1998							
March qtr	3 314 122	515 612	328 570	423 006	189 561	977 293	416 195
June qtr	3 528 331	464 155	352 050	477 684	180 714	1 123 044	415 476
September qtr	3 659 879	442 159	322 602	499 521	212 286	1 042 541	486 069
December qtr	3 772 022	491 671	290 765	516 032	188 022	1 033 476	607 625

(a) Interstate imports are compiled using a classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3).

(b) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown.

Source: Office of Economic and Statistical Research.

Period	Selected commodities(b)					
	Total(c)	Meat(d)	Wool(e)	Coal	Cereal grains	Nonferrous metals
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1992-93	12 026 653	1 780 254	154 362	4 379 206	146 213	934 754
1993-94	12 273 966	1 857 278	119 220	4 143 343	183 977	860 105
1994-95	12 747 169	1 597 302	170 231	4 124 509	83 496	836 778
1995-96	13 924 591	1 404 938	114 619	4 481 771	210 687	930 166
1996-97	13 879 798	1 218 811	113 654	4 557 376	544 259	779 231
1997-98	16 650 060	1 626 556	110 311	5 526 115	370 307	1 298 621
1998						
February	1 130 680	117 773	7 142	444 550	22 208	85 298
March	1 295 535	139 627	5 193	411 475	11 642	141 700
April	1 428 961	117 964	7 889	469 675	8 577	94 295
May	1 535 874	168 610	6 985	501 646	22 298	130 832
June	1 543 019	165 918	6 717	494 164	39 461	121 327
July	1 506 372	177 108	8 373	486 393	16 981	125 455
August	1 532 705	160 951	6 203	483 765	31 840	124 212
September	1 557 954	184 986	7 381	560 555	13 762	107 139
October	1 451 123	175 237	6 848	455 332	12 950	105 662
November	1 422 476	156 944	5 786	430 489	40 613	112 486
December	1 373 104	165 855	5 323	479 658	38 959	121 606
1999						
January	1 062 690	68 900	1 829	448 217	22 930	125 462
February	1 158 773	143 910	4 966	463 258	15 512	120 270
March	1 276 150	180 209	5 352	438 169	11 485	116 632
April	1 234 591	169 458	6 069	439 645	57 701	114 369

(a) Foreign export data are compiled on the Harmonised Commodity Description Coding System (HCDCS), not the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3).

(b) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown.

(c) Excluding non-merchandise trade; including re-exports.

(d) All meats and meat products, fresh, frozen or canned.

(e) Greasy or scoured.

Source: Unpublished data.

Period	Selected commodity groups(b)						
	Total(c)	Live animals, food, beverages & tobacco	Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.	Chemicals	Machinery and transport equipment		Other manufactured goods(d)
					Road motor vehicles	Other	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1992-93	6 334 175	225 394	699 920	387 065	1 144 443	1 395 816	1 258 354
1993-94	6 869 158	262 200	781 510	414 511	1 285 946	1 543 129	1 433 298
1994-95	7 771 035	336 535	809 042	476 033	1 647 337	1 891 645	1 610 273
1995-96	8 052 202	311 775	1 107 635	586 291	1 499 924	1 924 300	1 682 702
1996-97	8 636 792	321 815	1 223 676	698 279	1 629 122	2 255 045	1 731 143
1997-98	9 750 957	393 123	1 162 980	801 915	2 255 137	2 337 907	2 116 550
1998							
February	761 000	30 006	101 269	69 048	177 944	174 141	165 364
March	854 035	35 027	110 987	77 212	208 795	183 600	176 621
April	756 943	28 625	51 839	75 124	212 110	170 842	167 441
May	853 861	30 867	91 978	48 450	180 636	249 897	177 392
June	884 197	31 290	78 616	70 894	236 030	228 162	176 012
July	978 533	33 853	86 947	77 227	217 604	265 382	229 274
August	829 945	30 270	71 880	68 985	178 359	207 126	201 577
September	986 167	37 169	98 934	73 580	189 368	319 027	208 049
October	987 965	33 887	75 867	92 161	217 215	281 275	205 659
November	958 881	39 717	99 043	74 457	153 782	321 282	208 726
December	924 874	37 842	77 945	79 707	162 545	305 390	186 690
1999							
January	781 120	31 536	65 877	73 648	143 607	226 494	174 534
February	795 118	37 610	105 320	58 000	189 760	179 189	165 730
March	972 018	34 905	97 597	77 135	254 709	243 696	198 338
April	887 901	32 088	111 830	68 569	192 284	239 562	168 430

(a) Imports relate to the State in which the import entry was lodged with the Australian Customs Service. Foreign import data are compiled using the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3), not the Harmonised Commodity Description Coding System (HCDSCS).

(b) These are selected major groups only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. Imports are recorded statistically in the calendar month in which the import entries are both finalised by the Australian Customs Service and passed to the ABS for further processing.

(c) Excluding non-merchandise trade.

(d) Manufactured goods not included in the other selected commodity groups listed in this table.

Source: Unpublished data.

	<i>Food retailing</i>	<i>Department stores</i>	<i>Clothing & soft goods retailing</i>	<i>Household goods retailing</i>	<i>Recreational goods retailing</i>	<i>Other retailing</i>	<i>Hospitality & services</i>	Total
<i>Period</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
1997-98	9 945.6	1 970.1	1 801.4	2 216.2	1 489.0	2 714.5	4 810.1	24 946.9
1998								
February	784.4	116.1	125.3	168.7	103.5	196.9	345.6	1 840.3
March	841.4	129.0	133.8	172.6	106.8	208.5	387.7	1 979.9
April	847.3	153.1	141.1	167.2	116.2	210.6	405.5	2 041.1
May	868.8	155.2	154.9	177.2	116.4	224.3	409.5	2 106.2
June	820.1	143.2	160.4	181.4	124.2	220.2	399.7	2 049.2
July	870.5	167.3	164.0	194.0	123.9	227.5	426.2	2 173.6
August	856.0	151.1	154.5	199.2	129.6	219.9	439.5	2 149.9
September	872.1	165.6	167.0	196.6	140.3	221.0	409.3	2 172.0
October	916.1	175.9	176.8	204.5	150.5	232.7	463.9	2 320.6
November	857.4	187.5	162.0	206.0	142.4	230.8	434.9	2 221.0
December	975.3	324.3	222.6	259.1	202.0	314.1	497.0	2 794.5
1999								
January	928.3	160.2	165.4	229.1	149.6	218.2	424.9	2 275.8
February	837.2	122.8	136.3	208.3	129.7	197.8	369.6	2 001.7
March	933.1	146.5	161.6	223.4	141.5	217.0	399.2	2 222.4
April	908.3	156.3	164.4	205.1	131.0	211.2	391.4	2 167.6

(a) Excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.

Source: Retail Trade, Australia (Cat. no. 8501.0).

<i>Original series</i>									
Period	Passenger vehicles no.	Light commercial vehicles no.	<i>Trucks</i>					<i>Seasonally adjusted series</i>	
			Rigid no.	Articulated no.	Non-freight-carrying no.	Buses no.	Motor cycles no.	Passenger vehicles no.	Total motor vehicles(a) no.
1992-93	81 656	18 916	2 316	524	91	899	3 865	..	..
1993-94	86 045	20 489	2 488	739	144	778	3 522	..	..
1994-95	92 586	21 605	2 743	1 047	190	1 019	3 954	..	..
1995-96	98 610	21 292	2 200	594	122	993	4 297	..	..
1996-97	100 546	21 416	2 143	715	206	938	4 323	..	..
1997-98	118 316	23 793	2 494	829	480	817	4 779	..	..
1998									
February	8 926	1 911	206	60	16	57	382	9 732	12 212
March	10 204	2 073	219	68	25	57	444	10 147	12 526
April	9 429	1 970	227	53	24	57	412	9 721	12 117
May	9 010	2 093	216	72	15	83	350	9 430	11 832
June	14 615	3 438	294	92	33	80	534	12 425	15 194
July	11 378	1 973	248	100	26	75	455	10 119	12 371
August	9 961	1 684	226	69	21	57	419	10 329	12 695
September	10 003	1 999	278	75	21	58	472	9 693	12 139
October	9 718	1 920	222	100	25	63	469	9 564	11 940
November	9 891	2 358	239	74	22	74	528	11 154	14 123
December	11 367	2 093	306	59	30	79	471	10 361	12 946
1999									
January	7 595	1 602	153	39	11	49	417	9 351	11 825
February	9 025	1 980	250	44	14	58	499	9 831	12 409
March	11 910	2 451	256	78	25	64	599	10 752	13 323
April	7 543	1 588	197	58	27	47	353	8 344	10 468

(a) Excluding motor cycles, plant, equipment and trailers.

Source: Queensland Department of Transport; Commonwealth Department of Administrative Services.

	<i>Establish- ments</i>	<i>Guest rooms</i>	<i>Bed spaces</i>	<i>Room nights occupied</i>	<i>Room occupancy rate</i>	<i>Guest nights</i>	<i>Bed occupancy rate</i>	<i>Guest arrivals</i>	<i>Takings from accom- modation</i>
<i>Period</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>'000</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>'000</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>
1997	..	..	..	10 034.9	60.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1 012 127
1998	..	..	..	10 317.9	58.2	19 896.8	35.4	7 590.0	1 015 007
1997									
October	887	47 302	150 890	958.7	66.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	97 878
November				869.8	61.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	89 117
December				799.6	54.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	85 958
1998									
January	887	47 314	150 153	837.1	57.3	1 783.8	38.5	623.7	91 147
February				697.8	53.0	1 255.3	30.0	508.5	68 531
March				767.2	52.5	1 370.5	29.6	560.8	74 884
April	906	48 547	154 004	792.5	55.2	1 553.5	34.0	601.4	78 238
May				767.5	51.5	1 387.2	29.3	575.8	71 202
June				812.2	55.8	1 545.6	33.5	620.6	72 848
July	903	49 019	155 077	942.1	62.3	1 861.1	38.9	694.6	88 122
August				969.4	64.2	1 852.5	38.8	684.8	93 357
September				938.9	64.2	1 828.7	39.5	693.8	92 171
October	922	50 349	160 657	1 024.2	66.2	1 984.4	40.2	724.1	105 173
November				917.9	61.1	1 712.4	35.7	647.4	90 784
December				851.0	54.7	1 761.9	35.5	654.5	88 550

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units, according to revised scope criteria from March quarter 1998 and retabulated data for comparison purposes for 1997. See *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (Cat. no. 8635.0).

Source: *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (Cat. no. 8635.0).

Period	Rainfall			Shade temperature			
	Average(a)	Total	Wet days(b)	Absolute maximum	Absolute minimum	Mean maximum	Mean minimum
	mm	mm	no.	°C	°C	°C	°C
1993	1 178	726	117	36.3	4.2	25.3	15.8
1994		838	113	37.5	0.6	25.2	14.7
1995		1 128	116	37.6	1.3	25.2	15.4
1996		1 478	111	34.5	1.8	25.3	15.2
1997		845	101	33.2	1.2	25.2	15.4
1998		1 032	121	34.4	3.9	25.7	16.2
1998							
March	138	53	6	32.3	16.0	29.8	19.5
April	89	173	14	30.1	10.2	26.0	17.4
May	98	157	10	26.9	6.9	23.9	13.7
June	70	12	7	24.9	3.9	21.5	10.7
July	62	30	9	25.8	4.3	20.8	10.8
August	41	123	10	24.4	6.0	21.7	12.3
September	33	104	12	26.6	9.7	23.5	14.5
October	93	31	6	33.1	8.9	26.1	15.5
November	97	109	8	28.0	12.5	26.0	16.6
December	126	88	12	33.5	13.3	28.5	19.5
1999							
January	158	244	15	33.3	19.1	28.9	21.1
February	173	332	19	31.3	18.6	28.0	20.6
March	140	159	15	30.9	17.5	27.8	20.1
April	89	77	11	28.2	7.5	24.9	15.5
May	98	76	16	25.7	9.7	23.4	14.5

(a) Average of all years of record.

(b) Days on which 0.1 millimetres or more of rain fell.

Source: Bureau of Meteorology.

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